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METHOD OF FORMING A BALL
BOND USING A BONDING CAPILLARY

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 17, 2003, the period for response to which
having been extended by two months to November 17, 2003, please amend the above-identified
U.S. Patent application as follows: